

10 text portion specified by the at least one location coordinate.

1 17. (New) The method of Claim 16, further comprising including the first text
2 portion and the first script portion in a single file.

1 18. (New) The method of Claim 16, further comprising communicating the first
2 text portion, and communicating the first script portion, wherein the first text
3 portion and the first script portion are communicated separately.

1 19. (New) The method of Claim 16, further comprising rendering the electronic
2 document.

1 20. (New) The method of Claim 19, wherein rendering comprises displaying the
2 first text portion without regard to the first script portion, and without displaying
3 the first script portion.

1 21. (New) The method of Claim 19, wherein rendering comprises formatting the
2 first text portion in accordance with the first script portion, and without displaying
3 the first script portion.

1 22. (New) The method of Claim 21, further comprising replacing at least one of
2 the visible characters of the first text portion, with one or more visible characters
3 determined by the first script portion.

1 23. (New) The method of Claim 16, wherein the location coordinate comprises a
2 character position number.

1 24. (New) The method of Claim 16, wherein the location coordinate comprises a
2 line number and a character position number.

1 25. (New) The method of Claim 16, wherein each of the at least one location
2 dependent parameter identifiers is associated with one of the at least one
3 location coordinates.

1 26. (New) The method of Claim 16, wherein visible characters comprise codes
2 that when processed by a display application result in the display of characters;
3 and wherein invisible characters comprise codes that when processed by a
4 display application do not result in the display of characters.

1 27. (New) A method of encoding an electronic document, comprising:

2 a) opening an input document;

3 b) parsing a next element of the input document;

4 c) determining whether the next element is a script element or a text
5 element;

6 d) writing, if the determination of (c) is that the next element is a text
7 element, the text element to an output file;

8 e) storing, if the determination of (c) is that the next element is a script
9 element, the script element and a script coordinate;
10 f) determining if the end of the input document has been reached; and
11 g) writing, if the determination of (f) is that the end of the input document
12 has been reached, a script heading identifier to the output file, and the stored
13 script element and script coordinate to the output file.

1 28. (New) The method of Claim 27, further comprising:
2 repeating (b) through (g), if the determination of (f) is that the end of the
3 input document has not been reached.

1 29. (New) The method of Claim 27, further comprising converting the script
2 element to an invisible sequence.

1 30. (New) The method of Claim 29, wherein the invisible sequence comprises
2 one or more invisible characters.

1 31. (New) The method of Claim 27, further comprising:
2 determining, if the determination of (c) is that the next element is a script
3 element, whether the script element was in in-line format; and if this
4 determination is affirmative, writing the script element to the output file.

1 32. (New) The method of Claim 27, wherein a first portion of the output file